

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

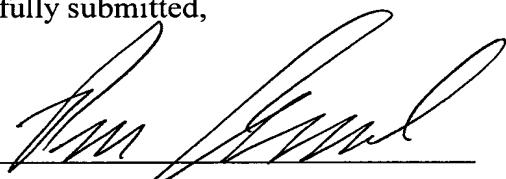
This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Claims 1-14 are requested to be cancelled. No claims are currently being amended. Claims 15-17 are being added. Therefore, claims 15-17 are now pending in this application.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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